

TENNESSEE GENERAL ASSEMBLY
FISCAL REVIEW COMMITTEE



FISCAL MEMORANDUM

HB 1617 - SB 1616

June 4, 2020

SUMMARY OF ORIGINAL BILL: Decreases, from 14 days to 3 days, the period of time in which a person offered a teaching position is required to accept or reject an employment offer in writing to the local board of education or director of schools.

FISCAL IMPACT OF ORIGINAL BILL:

NOT SIGNIFICANT

SUMMARY OF AMENDMENT (018171): Deletes and replaces all language after the enacting clause. Requires a person who is offered a teaching position to accept or reject the employment offer in writing, to the local board of education or director of schools, within the following time frames: 14 calendar days if the offer was made between April 1st and June 1st, including offers made on April 1st and excluding offers made on June 1st; and within 5 business days if the offer was made between June 1st and April 1st, including offers made on June 1st and excluding offers made on April 1st. Effective August 1, 2020.

FISCAL IMPACT OF BILL WITH PROPOSED AMENDMENT:

Unchanged from the original fiscal note.

Assumptions for the bill as amended:

- Under current law, upon receipts of the employment notification, a person has 14 days to accept or reject, in writing, the offered employment. Therefore, the proposed legislation will shorten the length of time, from 14 days to 5 business days, that a person has to respond in writing to an employment offer made between June 1st and March 31st.
- Local education agencies will be able to amend their policies in accordance with the provisions of this legislation during the normal course of business; therefore, any fiscal impact is estimated to be not significant.
- No significant impact to state or local operations.

CERTIFICATION:

The information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Krista Lee Carsner". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

Krista Lee Carsner, Executive Director

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